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FRESH SMOOT DENIALS.

IT IS EVIDENT that no anti-toxin for the virulent attack of the denial disease that afflicts Senator Smoot has been found. The senator is out with a fresh batch of denials, submitted in the form of an amended answer. And it is quite possible that those who are in charge of the fight against Senator Smoot will be able to show that his latest denials are, to put the case mildly, based on a misapprehension of the facts. If anything were needed to hasten about a sweeping investigation into the Mormon church, Senator Smoot has, by his most recent outbreak, thrown the door wide open.

For instance, he denies "that the president of the Mormon church or any apostle, bishop or other high official has taken a plural wife since the manifesto of 1890," and "denies that he encourages, countenances, connives at or conceals polygamy or polygamist cohabitation." It is hardly probable that the prosecution is unprepared to prove that at least one and perhaps several high officials of the Mormon church have taken unto themselves plural wives since 1890, either with or without the consent of the church authorities.

It is a great pity that Senator Smoot was not content with the high and holy office of apostle, an office that would satisfy most of the members of his church, an office that many of them would prefer to a senatorship and that many do not like to see dragged into the muck and mire of politics. Now that he is holding both offices, it is a pity that the senator-apostle or apostle-senator, as you choose to put it, did not content himself with merely denying offenses he was charged with.

Unless all signs fail the senatorial investigators are going to start a rattling of dry bones in this state that will be heard all over the land. And the state will derive neither profit nor prestige from it.

CONGRESS REVERSES ITSELF.

IF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION of Women's clubs in solemn convention assembled should on one day vote with practical unanimity to do a certain thing, and should vote on the next day not to do that very thing, what a caeking would go up from the men of the country. Wouldn't we hear a lot of sarcastic dissertations on the changeability of the feminine mind? Wouldn't the husbands of the land rise and give an account to sinner and titter and gibe at the gender sex?

Now, the national house of representatives has done that very thing, and the house is supposed to be made up of the very brightest men in the country. Its members are supposed to know, not only their own minds but the minds of all the voters in their districts. What shall we say, therefore, of such a spectacle as that of the house declaring a thing is proper one day and declaring it improper the next day? Words fail us.

On Wednesday, Jan. 13, the house met in committee of the whole to discuss a bill which carried a large appropriation for the civil service commission. After a lengthy debate in which a liberal proportion of the members participated, it was decided to cut the civil service commission off without a dollar. This action was taken by a very comfortable majority. On Thursday, Jan. 14, the house met again, but not in committee, and again it discussed the civil service commission appropriation. At the end of the debate and by a vote of 172 to 88, the house declined to adopt the amendment striking out the paragraph containing the appropriation referred to.

The difference, the bald, cowardly difference, is this: Votes do not go on record when cast in committee of the whole. Votes do go on record when cast in open session. Representatives felt that they could vote their real sentiments in the committee, regardless of the effect on their constituents. In the open session they feared the voters that would have almost surely followed a vote to practically abolish civil service.

We do not believe any convention of women was ever so cowardly or so tickle.

CITIZEN TRAIN.

CITIZEN George Francis Train is dead. Eccentric almost to the point of lunacy, he was in many respects a most remarkable man. The children in the neighborhood of Madison square, New York, will miss the "Citizen"; the birds he fed every sunny day will wonder what has become of their benefactor, and the great, busy world will stop long enough to smile over the recollection of his idiosyncrasies, to sigh over the loss of a generous-hearted, sunny-tempered, kindly man.

The present generation knew Train only for his mannerisms and his affections, but he was in his day a man of affairs, one who wielded a powerful influence in the spheres of business and letters. He was a busy

IN LIGHTER VEIN

The marriage of the Englishman and the San Francisco girl at the Ogden union depot is further proof of that city's claim to be a great international junction point.

Well, anyway, if that baseball forfeit money is up or is not up it will soon be up.

People who walk about the streets these days find it hard to believe there will be a water shortage next summer.

It may be that the theatrical manager who deserted his company here is trying to force them out of the business through a fear that sometime they might all be caught in some frightful theatre fire.

Federal officeholders in Texas are not to be permitted to sit in the Republican convention, which causes one to inquire what Texas is going to do for delegates.

The attention of Japan and Russia is directed to Santo Domingo, where they fight a war and change a government every thirty minutes or so.

The fact that the appearance in China of the Korean army is coincident with the arrival at Seoul of sixty-six American sailors with a machine gun, is significant, to say the least.

Senator Smoot. It is understood, takes the position that certain people in this country do not protest too much.

There are those who, after reading Senator Smoot's latest answer, contend he is not sufficiently well informed as to what is going on in Utah to properly represent the state in the senate.

The new plan whereby Russia and Japan usually belligerent and peaceful attitudes on alternate weeks, appears to be working very well, indeed.

Secretary Cortelyou evidently desires a change of occupation, as he has announced an intention to investigate the corporations.

One who meets a noted prizefighter cannot but be impressed by the difference between the language he uses in his published interviews and the language he uses in his conversation.

Senator Smoot predicted all along that he would take his seat without difficulty, and it begins to look a little as if he would be taken out of the same way.

If conditions in the Carbon county mines are as the strikers claim they should be thankful to the company for evicting them.

It is refreshing to find that one honest official knew of the Grand Rapids water deal and refused to take part in the deal. He declined to accept a bribe, but agreed to say nothing of the affair, and later accepted \$1,500 from Salisbury, merely as a token of esteem.

Lies of neighboring States.
FALSEHOOD THE "NINETEENTH."
"There was an eccentric old character in my part of Washington years ago," said the man from Puyallup, "and he was always making some odd thing I remember one time the old man went to work and built his coffin. He was very handy with tools and made good things. The coffin lay around for a year or two and at length he concluded to put it to some practical use pending his occupancy by himself. So he moved it into the shed and for several years the family used it to keep apples, potatoes and other articles of food. None of them appeared to think the use to which it was put was anything unusual. They were all a little queer anyway—a good deal like the old man. But the old fellow never got buried in it after all. He went prospecting over into Idaho and was shown up by his blarney. They never found enough of him to bring home. Out of respect to the old man no other member of the family would consent to use the coffin for internment purposes, so they moved it out of the shed to the pump and it was still being used as a horse trough the last time I saw it."

It is to be hoped that the request for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the construction and equipment of a suitable hospital at Fort Douglas will be promptly granted. A new hospital is badly needed at the post. The present building is too small and the equipment is too limited. Fort Douglas is to be greatly enlarged in point of accommodations for officers and men and the hospital should also be enlarged and equipped along modern lines.

We wouldn't be surprised to see something like this develop in the papers in the Smoot case: "The complainants further declare that there is such a state as Utah and that it has people living, dwelling or residing therein." Then, "Answering said charge your respondent, Reed Smoot, solemnly denies that there is such a state as Utah or that any people live, dwell or reside therein."

A movement is under way to elect none but Hanna delegates from Ohio to the Republican national convention. However, this is not an indication that Hanna is a candidate. Probably he just wants to show President Roosevelt how hard it would be to get along without him.

The former city clerk of Grand Rapids has testified that he received \$1,750 for keeping his mouth shut about the waterworks deal. If he had been a woman he might have earned the money, on the principle that it is very hard for a woman to keep a secret.

How much longer is John Q. to be permitted to conduct that "entirely uneventful and peaceable" campaign in Carbon county at fifteen something per day? He may need the money, but wouldn't it be just as well for somebody besides the state to contribute?

The call for the Democratic national convention having been issued, it will now be in order to pick out some men who will go to St. Louis and select a winning nominee.

Home-Grown Poetry.
(Washington Times.)
A member of the Georgia delegation says that at Marietta, his state, where the National cemetery is located, about 20,000 federal soldiers are buried, and the cemetery is under the care of a one-legged confederate who is a general favorite with visitors. He is known as "Uncle Peg," and is something of a poet. Recently some northern visitors were shown through the well-kept city of the dead by the old man, and he was asked to give them a specimen of his poetry.

"I can't make poetry," said the old man. "It is just a joke these boys around here get off on me."

"I felt you would be modest about it," replied one of the visitors, coaxingly, "but I am sure you possess some of the talents of Burns or Moore."

"I don't think so," said Uncle Peg, "but I do know a piece which I can recite by heart, as the school children say. Here it is:

"The Yankees came in numerous bands from five or six different states and lands. But these little mounds mark the spot Of all the lands these Yankees got."

"The visitors smiled and departed."

SOCIETY

The marriage of Miss Grace Jacobs and Lieutenant Sherman White will take place next Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding will be a quiet one, attended only by the very intimate friends of the young people, and the bride and groom will leave immediately after.

A very impressive and beautiful home wedding of yesterday was that of Miss Jane Mackintosh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mackintosh, and Mr. Malcolm G. Truman of Chicago. The bride and groom took place yesterday morning at 10:30 at the home of the bride's parents, and was witnessed by about thirty of the intimate friends and relatives of the two young people. Rev. Elmer I. Johnson performed the ceremony, the only attendant being Miss Aron Young, a cousin of the bride. Following the service a very informal wedding breakfast was served.

The home was simply but very effectively decorated with white and pale green, quantities of smilax and white carnations being used throughout the house. The table was done in white flowers and green ribbons. Palms were banded in the hall and ferns arranged on mantels and in corners. The bride wore a gown of pure white crepe de chine and carried bride's roses. Miss Young's gown was of white satin, and ribbons of pale green added to the color effect. Mrs. Agnes Osborne played "The Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin, preceding the ceremony, and soft low music throughout the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman left immediately after noon for the west, where they will spend the coming month. They will be at home after March 1 at 27 St. James place, Chicago.

The second assembly took place last evening and was even more of a brilliant success than was the first. The large hall was comfortably filled for dancing the entire upper and being set apart from the dancing floor. In the northwest corner a canopy extended out some distance beyond the corner, and here dainty and elegant refreshments were served to the comfort of the merry dancers. Sofas and large chairs filled the opposite corner and rugs in plenty covered the entire floor.

A screen of palms extended across the front of the platform and palms were banded at the other end of the hall. Here two punch tables were arranged in the alcoves, making a decidedly popular innovation. In the refreshment room white-cane curtains were used and the effect was most graceful and beautiful. A long table was spread in the middle of the room and smilax and ferns were placed along the ceiling to the four corners. In the center a handsome candelabrum of crystal arose and this was surrounded by a low circle of white cushions and plushes. Dainty baskets of the same were at each corner and four single candlesticks also of the crystal were placed around the edges. About 100 couples were on the floor.

The Twenty-ninth regiment, which is at present stationed in the Philippines, is to be sent home in the spring, and his many friends here are hoping that Captain Bryant S. Ellis, who is commander of one company, may be located at Fort Douglas. It is certain a part of the regiment will be stationed here, but just what companies will be chosen is uncertain.

Plans for the Ladies' Literary club breakfast, to be given a week from next Friday, have been changed somewhat, and each member will be allowed to bring one guest. Cards for guests must be procured from Mrs. S. J. Hicks, 124 West Seventh South street, by Jan. 25.

Mrs. Ralph E. Hoag of Ogden is in town for a short time visiting friends.

Mayor and Mrs. George Luft of Mexico are in town visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dana Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Price will entertain at an informal musicale this evening at their home on Fifth street.

Mrs. Caroline Hollister, widow of the late Colonel Hollister, will leave Thursday for Santa Cruz, where she has taken a cottage for the rest of the winter.

Miss Minnie Kiesel of Ogden is in the city for a short time, the guest of Miss Margaret Park.

Mrs. Sam Schwab and Miss Miriam Nelke of Provo are in the city for a few days, the guests of Captain and Mrs. E. A. Wedgwood.

Mrs. Frank B. Stephens entertained very informally at a luncheon on Monday.

Mr. Claude J. Nettleton announces a concert at the First M. E. church on Thursday, Jan. 25. Mr. Nettleton will have the assistance of Mrs. W. A. Wetzel, soprano; Mr. John Held, cornet, and his sister, Miss Ethel M. Nettleton, as pianist and accompanist.

A large number of invitations have been issued for the character ball, which is to be given by the Penclibers in their armory on Market street on Monday evening, Jan. 25.

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The attendance has exceeded our anticipation. Many lingerie sales were in vogue—but none like ours.

The interest among shrewd shoppers—attested by the large numbers coming to the store—accounts for our white muslin underwear sale being an event of January.

Some opportune bargains are offered in millinery—a line of all-trimmed hats for women, children and misses, \$1.00.

All ready-trimmed hats are offered at half prices—up to \$40.00.

Aroused as the ladies are to the importance of the lingerie sale like interest is manifested in the new exhibit of embroidery and lace.

This sale, too, is remarkable in that the newest conceptions are shown including qualities of the highest character—at prices lower than new goods call for.

The influence of these emphatic sales asserts itself throughout the store.

We are closing out our fashionable overcoats at half price.

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For a few days only an extensive line of imported shirtings for men—cheviots, madras, oxfords and Anderson's Scotch shirtings—values no less than 49 cents, some 75c-for 50c.

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